

three effulgences, and they, (the
MARUTS), uphold
three luminaries¹ in heaven: the MARUTS
of pure
energy worship thee, for thou, INDRA, art
their in-
telligent *Rishi*.

2. When the MARUTS worship INDRA,
exulting and
drinking of the effused libation, he
grasps the
thunderbolt wherewith he destroys Am,
and sets the
abundant waters free to flow.

3. Or, mighty MARUTS, and thou also,
INDRA, drink
of this my copiously-effused libation: then
the offered
libation obtains cattle for the offerer,²
and INDRA,
drinking of it, kills Am.

4. Thereupon he fixed firmly heaven
and earth,
and, resolutely advancing, filled (VUITRA),
like a deer,
with terror: stripping off his covering,
INDRA slew the
DiNAVA, endeavouring to hide, and
panting with

5. Then, for this exploit, all the gods
gave thee,
MAGHAVAN, in succession, the *Soma*
beverage; whence
thou hast retarded, for the sake of
ETASA, the ad-
vancing horses of the sun.

6. Whereupon MAGHAVAN has destroyed
with his
thunderbolt at once his (SAMBARA'S)
ninety and nine
cities:³ the MABUTS glorifying INDRA in a
common

¹ The san, the wind, and fire: the same are
probably intended
by the similar phrase preceding *tryaryamd-
trini aryamdni-
tejdruī*, according to *Sdyana*.

² *Manuske gd avindat, yajamndya vedayati
go,,* may also
mean rain, *dkenur-vrishtilakxhandni uddk&ni vd.*

³ The text has *bkogdn*, meaning, according to
Say *ana* *y* cities,
when the acute accent is on the last vowel ^
btioijdn *ifyantp-
ddttak puravachanak.*

